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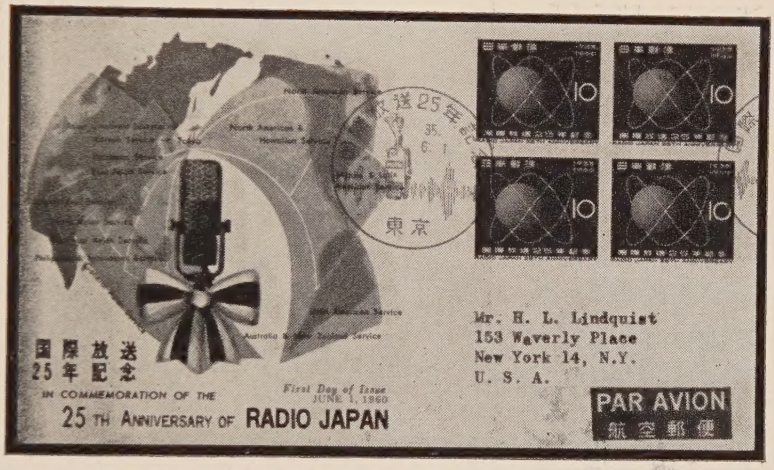

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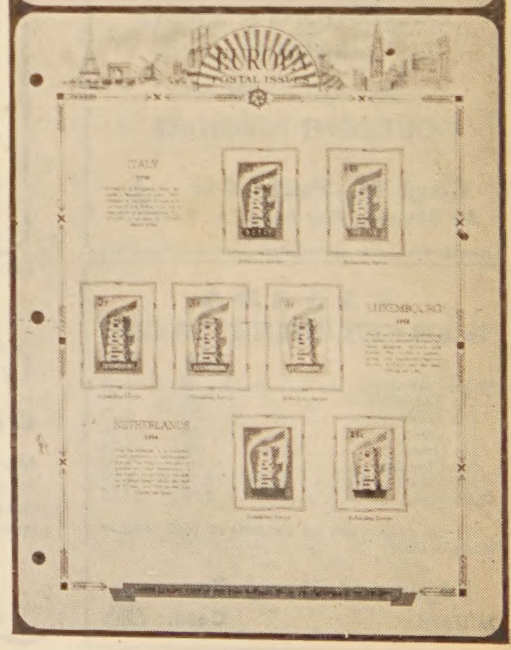

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Kent B. Stiles Receives the August Award at A.F.D.C.S. Dinner in His Honor

THE 1960 *Leo and Samuel August Award* was presented to *Kent B. Stiles,* stamp editor of *The New York Times,* at a dinner tendered in his honor by the *American First Day Cover Society,* Friday night, June 3, 1960, at the Advertising Club of New York.

The award consists of a silver bowl and a $500.00 U. S. Savings Bond. The cup given Mr. Stiles was inscribed: "The Leo and Samuel August First Day Cover Award 1960 for Outstanding Contributions to the Hobby of First Day Cover Collecting Presented to Kent B. Stiles."

The award was established in 1957 by the August brothers for the *A.F.D.C.S.,* to honor persons who have rendered distinguished service in the popularizing of first day cover collecting. Mr. Stiles was the fourth recipient, the first having been *Robert E. Fellers,* former Director of the Division of Philately, Post Office Department, Washington, D. C. In 1958 the honor went to the present Director in that post, *Franklin R. Bruns, Jr.,* who also for many years conducted the stamp column in the New York *Sun,* and who has a syndicated column devoted to stamp collecting running in newspapers throughout the country. The third recipient, in 1959, was *L. Rohe Walter,* Special Assistant to the Postmaster General.

The dinner for *Kent Stiles* was attended by 111 of his friends, and was preceded by a gala cocktail hour, as guests of *Leo* and *Samuel August,* sponsors of the award.

David Lidman, well known philatelic writer and editor, was introduced as Master of Ceremonies by *Bernard Ring,* president of the *American First Day Cover Society.* Following a few brief comments appropriate to the occasion, Mr. Lidman introduced the special guests on the rostrum, each of whom spoke in tribute to the honored guest and on related subjects. These were *Frank Amoroson, Jack Pomerantz, Robert E. Fellers, Walter Law, Peter G. Keller,* and *Norman Lee.* Seated on the dais too were *Leo* and *Samuel August,* and *Carl Bobbertz,* designer of the "Employ the Physically Handicapped" stamp which is to be issued on August 28, 1960, in New York, in conjunction with the World Congress of the International Society for the Welfare of Cripples. Also among the special guests were two other U.S. stamp designers, *Ervine Metzl,* and *William H. Buckley,* and who are members of the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee.

The presence of *Carl Bobbertz* was particularly appropriate as the designer of the "Handicapped" stamp. *Kent B. Stiles* has been physically handicapped since having suffered a stroke about six years ago. Undismayed by this misfortune, however, *Kent* has continued to write his excellent column in *The New York Times* throughout these handicapped years, except for a period immediately after he had been stricken. It was brought out at the dinner, incidentally, that this brief breach was quietly filled by a rival newspaper stamp columnist, *James B. Hatcher,* of the *New York Journal-American.* Mr. Hatcher was present at the dinner and was asked to take a bow amidst a round of thumping applause.

Mr. Lidman brought *Bernard Ring* back to the microphone to make the presentation of the beautiful silver award cup to Mr. Stiles, who received it with tears in his eyes and an occasional break in his voice as he acknowledged the award in a brief speech that nevertheless did not lack humor. He announced that his talk might appropriately be called "Be Sick and Have Fun, or a Stroke of Luck."

"Be healthy or ailing, my friends," he said, "having fun is essential therapy. About six years ago I made that discovery. Doctors tell me that I had a physical stroke

Kent B. Stiles receives the August Award from Bernard Ring, President of the American First Day Cover Society as Samuel August (left) and Leo August (right) look on.

At the left, one of the several first day covers received this week from our Argentine friends with that country's set of stamps commemorating the 150th anniversary of the May revolution. At the right, a first day cover from Monaco Postal Administration with the set depicting views and monuments of Monaco.

and that I should not have survived. My sister tells me that God did not take me then because I was not good enough for Him. He let me live on, and together He and I have chuckled over it while He was instructing me in the art of having fun. He has taught me that having fun is life's best therapy."

Mr. Stiles mentioned that *L. Rohe Walter,* who originally was to have been present at the dinner, had in the meantime been summoned to Ohio to receive an award himself on the same night. Mr. Walter had advised Kent that he was releasing the announcement of details of the "Handicapped" stamp design on June 3rd, concurrently with the dinner to Mr. Stiles.

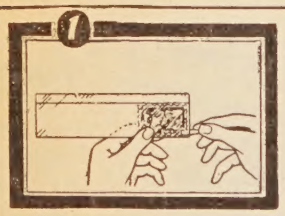
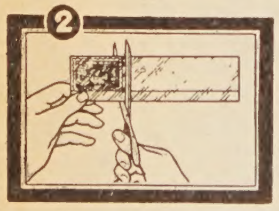
"Have you ever come across a more nearly perfect example of coincidence"? he continued. "The forthcoming postal design will picture a physically handicapped man gainfully employed while sitting in a wheelchair — and now, you are listening to a physically handicapped man sitting in a wheelchair while he is telling about just such a handicapped man. This four-cent stamp could be picturing me, but I will not assume that credit because the Detroit-born New York artist, *Carl Bobbertz,* and myself were not acquainted at the time Mr. Bobbertz conceived his vignette.

"I intend to have you people see and hear Mr. Bobbertz presently. But first I wish to get personal. My sister, *Rachel T. Stiles,* teaches English at Brooklyn's Bay Ridge High School, and she helps me with my philatelic researching. When I sustained the stroke she opened both heart and home to me. She was God's gift to me out in Michigan after I prayed very long for a baby sister."

At this point Mr. Stiles asked his sister to stand and take a bow, which she did midst much applause. Then he also introduced his nephew, *Meredith N. Stiles* and the latter's wife, *Randy.*

Turning back to the matter of the award, *Kent* thanked the *August* brothers for having made the award possible, and the *American First Day Cover Society* for having honored him as the 1960 recipient. "So moved am I that I am at any moment going to burst over and cry like a schoolgirl. Several friends who anticipated I might spill over into tears tonight told me that honest tears are nothing to be ashamed of; so I will confess to you, my friends, that here inside of me at the moment I am shedding honest tears; and the responsibility is yours, *Leo* and *Samuel August,* and yours *President Bernard Ring,* and yours, *American First Day Cover Society.* I have never been honored this way before; and I feel that those tears inside are threatening too strongly to flow outside, so I will now introduce *Mr. Carl Bobbertz,* who designed the Physically Handicapped Stamp."

Mr. Bobbertz referred back to Kent's comment that Kent himself might have been a subject for the Physically Handicapped stamp, and said that if he had only known Kent at the time he would likely have used him as a model. He had been so hard put to figure out how to approach any stranger to model for the stamp that his friend and fellow-artist, Ervine Metzl, had suggested "Why don't you model for it yourself?" So that is exactly what Mr. Bobbertz did, an interesting point for stamp collectors. Mr. Bobbertz added that a stamp showing Kent at a typewriter, preparing his weekly column for *The New York*

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Aug. 28—New York 1, New York—4c Employ the Physically Handicapped

Aug. 29 — Seattle, Wash. — 4c Fifth World Forestry Congress

Sept. 14 — Baltimore, Md. — 4c Francis Scott Key "Credo"

Sept. 16—Place unannounced—4c Mexican Independence Centennial

Sept. 26—Washington, D. C.—4c Japanese-American Treaty Centennial

Oct. 22—Atlantic City, N. J.—7c Fire Red Airmail Stamp in coils.

Nov. 1—New York 1, N. Y.—4c Camp Fire Girls

Nov. 7—Washington, D. C.—4c and 8c Garibaldi, Champion of Liberty

Nov. 25—New York, N. Y.—4c Famous American, Andrew Carnegie

Date to be announced—Washington, D. C.—4c and 8c Paderewski Champion of Liberty

UNITED NATIONS

Aug. 29—4c & 8c World Forestry Congress

imes, would have been as appropri-
é a design as anyone could ima-
ne, and a "natural" for the stamp
llector. The design, as announced
d shown in our last issue, depicts
man in a wheelchair operating a
ill press.

As the evening drew to a close and
ent was wheeled away, happy and
ntented for these hours with his
iends and in the honor that had
en bestowed upon him, every heart
the room must have skipped a few
ats in mutual warmth for him. It
as an inspiring evening, with Kent
ceiving this well-deserved public
ibute, surrounded by his friends
d admirers, and with the added
od wishes of many others who had
en unable to come to the dinner
cause of other commitments. It
ill be an evening long-remembered
him and by those who shared it
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Suggests Reply Coupon for Air Letter Sheet

E. D. SKEEN, M.D., of Walkerton, Indiana, has written Postmaster General Summerfield with the following suggestion:

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Old Sleuth

news story by *David Miller* in the *York Herald Tribune* of June 6, , told of the visit to Jersey City of e chief *Floyd H. McCoy,* of Pitcairn d, to attend the marriage of a couple had known only through the mail, *ld Gruber* and *Diane Dobrou.* The ling party was pictured in a three-car neymooners' Special" of the Hudson es. The idea of transporting the wed- party from Journal Square, Jersey , to Pennsylvania Station, came from *nan T. Stichman,* the line's trustee. couple had traveled the Tubes during two-year courtship. The wedding y of fifteen filled an air-conditioned decorated with chrysanthemums and l. Mr. and Mrs. McCoy were pictured e wedding group.

he McCoy's, long-time stamp col- rs, began corresponding with the m's mother four years ago as pen and exchange partners in the collect- of stamps. The McCoys have pen in eighty countries, including the et Union, the article reports. Mr. oy is a fourth generation descendant one of the mutineers aboard Capt. liam Bligh's *Bounty,* a story well wn to stamp collectors.

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obert W. Scherer, whose address now . O. Box 700, Hollywood, Florida, ad- s that he is getting his new home and e in good shape and will have his k in apple pie order by the time the season starts. During the summer nths he will be assisted by Dennis Stark arranging his stock before he leaves for vard to secure his Master's Degree in iness administration.

Friends will also be interested to know t Mr. Scherer and Mrs. Caroline Vin- , who is now living in St. Petersburg, planning to marry in August. I am e that the many friends of both Bob Caroline will join us in wishing them piness.

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Horace D. Westbrooks, of Griffin, Ga., sent us covers with a specially printed het, honoring the 15th anniversary of United Nations Conference, held in Francisco, April 25, 1945. Two of the ers received were mailed from San ncisco on April 25, 1960, while the d was mailed from the United Nations, New York, on the same anniversary e. Mr. Westbrooks reports that only covers with this special cachet were led on this occasion.

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ohn J. Capaldi, Philadelphia, Pa., sends ipping from the May 11, 1960 edition he *Evening Bulletin,* which relates the y of how Myron Robbins, a member the Germantown Stamp Club, heard n his family who were trapped in

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A. J. Shanahan, McLean, Va., has submitted an item from the May 28, 1960 edition of the *Brooklyn Tablet,* which contains a story on the unique meter cancellation used by St. John's University, Jamaica, N. Y., and by Niagara University, Niagara Falls, N. Y., on all their outgoing mail. The meter used by the universities, which were founded by Vincentian Fathers, shows a portrait of St. Vincent de Paul, founder of the order, and the words "300th anniversary of Holy Death / St. Vincent de Paul / 1660-1960." Although St. Vincent de Paul has been honored on postage stamps, it is believed this is the first time that he has been commemorated by a meter marking.

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Q.—Does anyone else know of a reverse 3 on South West Africa #205 (as reported in this column for Dec. 5, 1959)? I did not see the copy owned by the inquirer, but now comes another who has one and says the reversed 3 is too perfectly formed to be either a broken letter or poor inking job. He asks if any others have seen this variety.

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The Strategic Air Command will fly *Waddell F. Smith* in a KC-135 jet from Sacramento to St. Joseph and back again in a few hours on July 19 to dramatize the development of mail service, although there is no indication in the news release that any mail will be carried on the flight.

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CORRECTION

The classified advertisement for F. Ahsan under "First Day Covers" in the June 11th issue should have carried the price $5.50 for the World Refugee Year perf. and imperf. item instead of the price incorrectly listed.

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Design of Forestry Congress Stamp

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One modification was made—the actual seal included a dark inverted arc in which appeared "U.S.A. * 1960." This small segment was eliminated so that the value "4c" and "U. S. POSTAGE" could be added across the bottom of the stamp design in dark Roman lettering.

In view of the fact that the Fifth World Forestry Congress seal was used, as noted, for the stamp design, no artist as such was involved. The stamp was modeled by *Charles R. Chickering* of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

The official emblem of the Fifth World Forestry Congress was designed jointly by *Maurice H. Eysenburg* of the Division of Visual Services, U. S. State Department, and *Rudolph Wendelin* of the Graphic Arts Division, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The stamp will measure 0.84 by 1.44 inches, arranged vertically, and will be printed in green on the Cottrell presses of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, electric-eye perforated. Issuance will be in sheets of fifty, and an initial order for 120 million has been placed.

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16	.40	35	2 80	50	1.50	65	6.50
17	.50	36	2 00	51	.70	116	1.00
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There is one possible explanation as to why pictures of Washington generally failed to show him as he actually appeared. He was what might be termed an "idealized" subject. "First in war, first in peace, first in the hearts of his countrymen" is not a mere schoolbook cliché, for there have been few men in history who have received such acclaim and affection as he. It is little wonder, then, that his portraits tended to be flattering, with lines softened, facial contours altered, and blemishes omitted. The final artistic result, while perhaps showing a fair resemblance, might not have been true to life.

Which of these portraitures most closely shows Washington as he actually looked? To phrase the question somewhat differently, which is the most photographic? Daguerre's invention of the camera was not to come until forty years after Washington's death, so there are no photographs that can be used as a basis for comparison. However, we have something infinitely better than a mere two-dimensional reproduction, such as a photograph, with which to judge. Through a fortunate set of circumstances an exact replica of the first President's features, in the form of a plaster of Paris life mask, has been preserved for posterity. This important memento is a treasured possession of the Pierpont Morgan Library.

Dr. Bernhard W. Weinberger, a noted dental historian, has made a definitive study of the Washington life mask in his work *An Introduction to the History of Dentistry in America*. It seems that in 1785 the State of Virginia commissioned the French sculptor *Jean Antoine Houdon* to do a life-size statue of the President. This is the statue which today may be seen in the rotunda of the state capitol in Richmond. In that year Houdon visited Mount Vernon, and he made an impression of Washington's face. By pouring plaster of Paris into the impression, he was able to duplicate exactly the facial features. Using the life mask as a model, Houdon made several busts, including the well-known one that is now in Mount Vernon. This is the likeness that appears on the 1c value of the Bicentennial issue and the 1c value of the regular issue of 1938. If one examines photographs of the life mask and the Houdon bust, as this writer has done, he is immediately impressed with the remarkable fidelity of the latter. There can be little question but that it is an excellent representation of Washington as he appeared in 1785.

The life mask itself is a remarkable piece of work. It includes the President's countenance beginning with the hair line of the forehead, covers the entire chin, and extends to the ears on both sides. So detailed is the model that the texture of Washington's skin is easily discernible. Even the finest wrinkles of the face, as well as the individual hairs of the eyebrows, forehead and temples, can be seen. An interesting feature of the mask is that some of Washington's actual hairs are embedded in the plaster—precious souvenirs of the great man! Apparently, Houdon was able to remove the mould from the face in one piece, a difficult feat in itself considering the large area covered.

Philatelists and others who have studied the twelve portraitures of Washington depicted on the Bicentennial issue often comment on the considerable differences in appear-

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The point which the writer wishes to make is that only with the Houdon bust is there concrete evidence (the life mask) of the artist's faithful reproduction of Washington's features. It may well be that the other portraitures are equally good, or better, but we have no way of ascertaining this. Contemporary opinions concerning the various paintings, while numerous, are often contradictory. In this respect, however, there is one expression of opinion which merits particular attention and which further points to the Houdon bust as the outstanding portrayal. Gilbert Stuart, whose famous unfinished portrait of Washington (2c value, Bicentennial issue) hangs in many a classroom, was once asked to give his opinion of the various pictures and busts of Washington. He replied, "Houdon's bust came first and my head of him next." What better recommendation can there be than when an artist rates another's work above his own?

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Charles Cratsenberg, president of the A.P.S., was guest of honor at the awards banquet at the Petroleum Club.

Dr. Joseph Kuncl (left) of Alliance, Nebraska, receiving the grand award at Rompex from Acting Chairman John W. Willard.

There ware 212 frames in the exhibition, and many awards were presented.

The grand award went to *Dr. Joseph Kuncl,* of Alliance, Nebraska, for his exhibit of Italy 1863. This exhibit also received a first and the S.P.A., A.P.S., T.M.P.S., and Mrs. A. E. Pade awards.

The Bureau Issues Association award went to *W. J. Chamberlain,* Pan American issue of 1901; Society of Israel Philatelists Award to *Mark S. Vainer* for Palestine Forerunners; Continental Air Lines Award for best U. S. Airmails to *W. J. Chamberlain,* U. S. Airmail Postal Stationery; United Air Lines Award and Western Air Lines Award were presented to *Lawrence Van Gorder* for Zeppelin stamps and covers.

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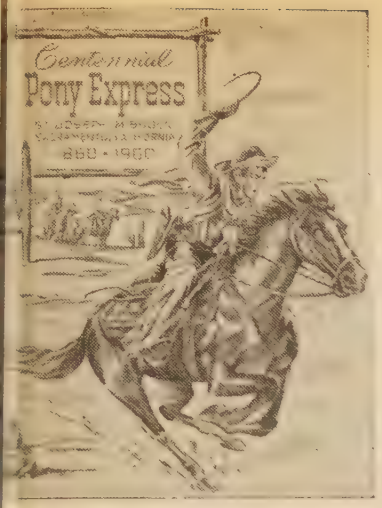

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Plate Number Activity at the Bureau for February, March and April

DURING the month of February 1960 at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing there were 27 new plate numbers assigned and 25 plates sent to press. Plates cancelled in February totaled 51, of which 44 were not issued to the public. For the month of March 27 plate numbers were assigned, and 22 sent to press. Sixty-eight plates were cancelled, 11 of which were not issued to public. The following data is gathered relating to these plate numbers.

The 3c Gardening stamps had plates 25942-3, 25944-5, with 165,000 impressions each. The 3c Brussels exhibition, 25958-9, each with 196,000 impressions; and 25960-1, each with 160,000 impressions. The 3c Minnesota commem., 25994-5-6-7, each with 165,000 impressions. The 3c Gunston Hall, 26017-8-9, 26200, each with 153,000 impressions. Plates 26022-3-4-5 were cancelled with no impressions. The 3c Mackinac Bridge, 26028-9, with 141,000 impressions each; and 26030-1, with 145,000 impressions each. The 4c Bolivar, 26057-8, each with 137,000 impressions, and 26059-60, each with 135,000 impressions.

The 8c Bolivar is a little more complicated. There were three frame plates used, 26056 with 87,000 impressions; 26061 with 45,000 impressions; 26062 with 42,000 impressions. Nos. 26056 and 26062 were both used for printing the 8c Kossuth also, and it was indicated in earlier reports that 9,600 impressions were possibly applied for the Kossuth printings. Two plates were used for the 8c Bolivar Medallion, 26021 with 85,000 impressions, and 26026 with 82,000 impressions. Each of the frame and medallion plates was used in combination with the other, making a total of six plate number combinations.

For the 4c Atlantic Cable four plate numbers were used, 26076-7-8-9, each with 165,000 impressions. The 4c Overland Mail, 26158-59-60-61, each with 165,000 impressions. The 4c Washington Credo, 26488-9, 94-5, 26508. Three of these plates were cancelled, 26488 with 192,000 impressions; 26489 with 19,000 impressions; and 26495 with 171,000 impressions. It is believed that 26508 will show a low number of impressions when the cancellation report is made. Plate 26477 was issued for this stamp, but it has not as yet been shown as going to press, and likely will be cancelled with no impressions reaching the public.

For the 4c Boy Scout, seven plates were assigned, but to date of this report only four are shown as having been sent to press, namely, 26530-31-35-36. Plates 26517 and 26532 have been cancelled with no impressions to the public, and Plate 26523 is still unreported as going to press through March report. The 4c Franklin Credo, it appears the first five original plates were cancelled without any issued to the public: 26522, 34, 37, 44, and 49. The minor design change probably accounts for this. Four subsequent plates: 26582, 26879, and 26891 were used. Plate 26578 had not been sent to press by time of this report, and probably was not used.

The 4c Winter Olympics, five plates assigned, including 26543, cancelled with no impressions to public. Plates 25440-1-2-50 were used to print this stamp. The 4c Masaryk, 26552-3-4-5 assigned and used to print this stamp. The 8c Masaryk, six plates assigned with only two in evidence as having been used: 26557, 26562. Plate 26558 has been cancelled, no impressions to public; plates 26533-68-77 are unreported either to press or cancelled. The 4c Patrick Henry, plate 26556 assigned but not reported sent to press. The 4c Water Conservation, plate 26561-88-90-92 and 26600 assigned, but only the last four reported going to press.

The 4c Jefferson Credo, seven plates assigned, with No. 26610 cancelled with no impressions. Plates 26608, 611, 618, 623, reported sent to press; and 26575, 26628 not to press. The 4c World Refugee, 26596-7-8-9 assigned, and all sent to press. The 4c 50-star Flag to be issued July 1960, No. 26609 assigned. The 4c Pony Express, 26624-5-6-7, assigned.

Concerning the balance of reports of plates cancelled there does not seem to be any particular scarcity involved as the number of impressions seems fairly large. The two plates used for the 8c Kossuth and Bolivar Champions will probably be fairly scarce.

During April twenty-one plates were assigned to stamps, fifteen were sent to press, and thirteen were cancelled, one with no impressions to public. There is nothing significant in the number of printings involved and it would appear they will result in no particular scarcities.

The 4c Jefferson Credo, plate 26629 assigned and sent to press. Six plates have gone to press altogether for this stamp to date, 26608-26611, 26618-23-28-29. No 26610 was previously reported cancelled with no impressions, and there is still no

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information on 26575.

The 4c SEATO stamp had five numbers assigned in April, with 26631 cancelled with no copies to public. Of the four plates 26632-33-34 and 38, only 26633 and 26634 show as having gone to press so far. These stamps printed in panes of 70 each.

The 4c 50-star Flag had four additional plates assigned in April, 26639-40-47-48, added to the previous 26609; none of the five is shown as having gone to press as of the end of April. The 4c American Woman appears for the first time with four numbers: 26643-44-45-46, with none having gone to press in April. The 4c Boys Clubs of America, Plate 26649 appeared in April as the first number assigned to this stamp.

For the new 10c airmail, four plates assigned in April, 26630-35,36-37. Only 26635 and 26636 appear as having gone to press. Plate 26601, previously assigned, is not shown as sent to press. Of the five plates assigned, therefore, only three had gone to press through April.

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Illinois State Fair Philatelic Exhibition

THE Illinois State Fair Philatelic Exhibition, to be held August 12-21, 1960, will feature postage stamps of the 1860's, including those of the Civil War period.

Among the displays on exhibition, will be the award-winning collection of *Harold Dermody,* Cicero, Ill., containing letters, photographs, and other items connected with the Civil War period in Abraham Lincoln's life, and a U.S. Post Office Department display. A special post office will be set up at the exhibition to sell items not generally available at regular post offices.

July 20, 1960, is the deadline for entries in the exhibition. Entry blanks and instructions are available by writing to the *Philatelic Exhibition, Illinois State Fair, Springfield, Ill.*

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Summerfield Missile Mail Cover Brings $207 At Nicklin Auction

ONE of the covers which were sent on June 8, 1959, by Postmaster General Summerfield to announce the firing by guided missile from the U.S.S. Barbero was sold at auction by John W. Nicklin, New York dealer, on May 26, 1960, and brought $207.00. Only a limited number of the covers were sent in connection with the experiment undertaken by the Post Office Department. This is the first one to have come up at auction. It was franked with the 4c 48-star flag stamp.

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All Plate Blocks of 6		
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553.....	1.35	1.90
554.....	.90	1.00
555.....	10.00	...
556.....	5.50	7.00
557.....	5.75	7.00
558.....	20.00	24.00
559.....	2.30	5.00
560.....	...	27.50
561.....	5.00	8.00
562.....	6.50	9.00
563.....	1.75	3.00
564.....	3.75	6.40
565.....	3.00	4.50
566.....	7.00	11.00
567.....	7.00	11.00
568.....	10.00	14.00
569.....	9.50	13.00
571.....	20.00	...

Scott No.	Fine	Very Fine
Plate Blocks of 8		
620.....	$20.00	$25.00
621.....	75.00	90.00
Plate Blocks of 4		
632.....	.30	.40
633.....	2.30	2.90
634.....	.20	.30
635.....	.30	.40
636.....	4.00	5.80
637.....	.90	1.00
638.....	.90	1.00
639.....	.80	.90
640.....	.90	1.00
641.....	.90	1.00
642.....	1.25	1.75
684.....	.25	.30
685.....	.85	1.00
692.....	1.50	2.00
693.....	2.50	3.50
694.....	1.25	1.75
695.....	1.15	1.80
696.....	4.00	5.00
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127-35..	.54	226-29..	.22	275.....	1.40
138.....	.20	*230-33.	.15	280-85..	.06
153-4	.04	230-33..	.08	286-88..	.30
157-2	.11	*234....	.05	289.....	1.60
152-64	14	235-48..	.25	292-308.	.30
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187a,		252-57	.30		
189b..	.50	258-63	06	Morocco	
		*264-5	.10	*78-81	.18
205-8...	.30	264-5...	.06	*82.....	.05
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256-8....	.65	590-6...	4.75	C239-55..	11.75
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256	.18
257	.10
259	.08
260	.08
273* no gum	.70
282	.10
282*	.10
283	.55
284	.15
285	.15
286	.20
288	.20
290	.38
291	.30
294*	.20
295*	.18
296*	.20
296	.18
297*	.40
297	.35
298*	.85
298	.75
Set 294-298* cpl.	1.75
299	.20
300	.20
301	.20
302	.35
303	1.00
Set 299-303 cmpl.	1.85
312	.15
313	.20
314	.15
315	.50
316	.40
Set 312-316 cpl.	1.40
319	.10
320	.07
322	.10
323	.10
324	.15
325	.15
326	.20
327	.20
330	.80
331	2.00
332	.10
332*	.15
333*	.20
333	.10
334	.15
334*	.25
335	.28
335*	.40
336	.55
336*	.75
Set 332*-6*	1.50
337	.10

Scott's #	
339	.18
Set 340-354, C24-C29, E10-E11*, mint complete on sale in Cuba three days Cat. $57.35 for	27.50
355	.08
361	.10
362	.12
363	.10
365	.14
366	.10
367	.20
368	.08
368a	.08
369	.07
371	.30
371a	.30
372	.28
372a	.28
374	.20
375	.08
376	.10
377	.20
378	.28
379	.35
Set 375-379 cpl.	.90
383	.15
386	.15
387	.08
388	.07
389	.18
390	.20
391	.30
Set 387-391 cpl.	.90
393	.12
401	.12
402	.10
403*	.10
404*	.10
406*	.10
406	.08
409	.12
412	.10
413	.25
Set 410-413 cpl.	.40
Set 410-413* cpl.	.65
414*	.10
417	.12
Set 415-417* cpl.	.40
419	.12
425	.12
426	.18
427	.12
428	.50
429	.75
430	1.75
Set 423-430 cpl.	2.85
436	.10
440	.12
442	.10
444	.10

Scott's #	
448	.14
449	.07
450	.08
451	.15
460	.15
461	.15
465	.15
468	.12
472	.08
477	.12
478	.15
479	.28
480	.38
Set 475-480 cpl.	.90
483	.12
486	.09
487	.15
488	.15
492	.07
493	.12
495	.12
496	.20
497	.38
504	.10
505	.10
506	.20
507	.18
508	.20
509	.20
Set 500-509 Jose Marti complete	1.00
516	.08
517	.10
518	.07
526	.07
527	.20
528	.35
530	.10
538	.08
539	.07
540	.07
542	.18
545	.08
546	.08
555	.08
556	.08
568	.08
569	.08
587	.08
597	.07
598	.10
601	.07
602	.10
605	.07
606	.10
Set 595-606 cpl.	.60
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Used	.15

Scott's #	
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B1	.15
B1*	.22
B2	.65
B2*	.78
The only Cuban Triangles	
B4-5	.10
B4-5*	.20

Airmails

C2 (Lindberg)	.45
C3	.25
C6	.15
C8	.10
C9	.15
C10	.10
C11	.20
C14A	.15
C15	.30
C18	.20
C22	.20
C23	.20
C30	.38
C32	.08
C34	.15
C36	.10
C37	.18
C41	.10
C42	.12
C43	.70
Set C41-43 cpl.	.85
C44	.10
C45	.15
C46	.75
Set C44-46 cpl.	.90
C47	.10
C48	.10
C49	.60
Set C47-49 cpl.	.75
C50	.30
C53	.09
C57	.07
C58	.08
C59	.15
C60	.45
C61	.10
C62	.40
C63	.08
C64	.08
C65	.15
C68	.35
C71	1.00
C72	1.75

Scott's #	
C73	.08
C74	.50
C76	.15
C77	2.00
C79	.07
C80	.08
C81	.10
C82	.10
C83	.15
C84	.15
C85	.25
C86	.25
C87	.40
C88	.35
C92	.09
C93*	.10
C94	.10
C95	1.10
C98	.10
C99	.15
C100	.15
C101	.18
C102	.20
C103	.35
C104	.30
C105	.35
C106	.70
C107	.12
C108	.08
C108*	.22
C109	.15
C110	.15
C111	.18
C112	.38
C113	.50
C114	.09
C115	.10
C116	1.00
C117	.10
C118	.30
C119	.10
C120	1.75
C121	4.00
C122	.10
C123	.15
C125	.38
C126	.80
C127	.08
C128	.12
C129	.10
C130	.30
C131	.08
C132	.10
C134	.10
C135	.10
C136	.07
C137	.07
C138	.07
C139	.15
C141	.20
C143	.35
C144	.75
C145	1.50
C146	3.25
C147	.08

Scott's #	
C148	.10
C149	.10
C149a Souv Sheet	.40
C150	.10
C151	.12
C152	.12
C153	.07
C156	.10
C157	.10
C158	.08
C159	.10
C160	.20
C161	.25
C162	.10
C163	.10
C166	.10
C169	.10
C171	.45
C174	.20
C182	.08
C184	.25
C187	.15
C188	.18
C189	.20
C192	.08
C195*	.22
C196	.30
C196*	.55
CB1*	.28
CE1	.60

Special Delivery

E3	.08
E4	.30
E8	.30
E9	.35
E13	.12
E14	.20
E15	.12
E16	.12
E17	.10
E20	.07
E21	.07
E22	.07
E23	.07
E24	.07
E25	.10
E26	.07
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J6*	.20
J7*	.40
J8*	.18
J9*	.25
J10*	.30

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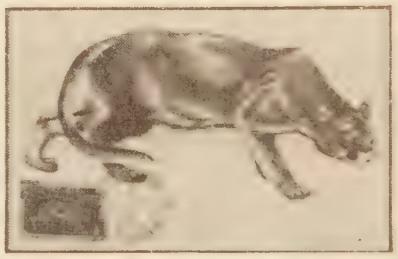

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TIPOFF

REFUGEE YEAR COMMEMORATIVES — As I have mentioned before, these issues will be collected for a very long time to come. As long as the United Nations continues to exist and mankind continues to believe in it, issues with a U.N. related background will be very good property. Many collectors are even going further and collecting the World Refugee Year forerunners, which are very highly recommended and which will increase in price in time. Some of these issues are Norway's Scott's #B5-8, the surtax of which went to the International Nansen Office for Refugees; Germany's #733; Viet Nam #30-35 plus #54, which commemorated the first anniversary of the flight of the North Vietnamese, and which sells at the present time for $7.50; and France's #B44-45, which is also an Americana issue, and whose present low asking price will not remain low for too long. Another Refugee issue is Luxembourg's #B65A-65Q, tipped in this column more than two years ago. Of course, this set has always been considered a gold-edge series by many Europeans and the price is somewhat higher today than it was in 1958. Still, one can pick up this set for around $35.00 to $40.00, and because of the World Refugee Year trend, the few sets still available will go up in price. Another set of stamps which is continually rising is Switzerland's #601-608. This Refugee issue is still available for around $16.00 to $17.00, but it does not have too far to go before reaching the $25.00 mark. More recent issues such as Denmark's #B24, Germany Democratic Republic's #B29-30, and Austria's #B298 are all within everyone's means. They all have some kind of Refugee background and will be collected as such. All these issues are this week's TIPOFF and no time should be wasted in including these stamps in your Refugee collection, at least the low-priced ones. These stamps will become scarce in years to come and the prices will be at least double or triple what they are now.

SURINAM—I understand the Refugee Year commemorative is obsolete and higher prices are being asked for this issue. I am sure that there are many dealers who have a few copies left at the original new issue price and who would be glad to sell you your share. This Dutch possession has always been popular with U. S. collectors and there are very few issues which have not gone up in time.

GERMANY—The 1948 Band and Carpet overprints, Scott's #585A-599, do not seem to be too popular with collectors, while prices of sets of regular postage, such as Scott's #634-661 and #670-685, are up in the stratosphere, and higher prices yet are being asked from week to week. This scarce 1948 provisional issue seems to have reached a stabilization point even though the heavy values of this set are missing in many good post-war Germany collections. The empty spaces in their collections, do not seem to bother collectors, but, human nature being what is it, when the supply runs low and higher prices are being asked, they will try to fill the gaps quickly, gladly paying increased prices. Today this set is easily had at a very reasonable rate off Scott's present valuation, and can be bought below the 1960 half-valuation. I recommend buying the complete set. Even if you already have some of the lower priced singles, it will still be to your advantage to get the complete set instead of buying the missing values at the half-Scott rate.

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The Spoon Experiment

The Spoon Experiment 1853-1858, by R. M. and R. W. Willcocks & Wilfred Bentley. Price $2.00 from R. M. & R. W. Willcocks, 42a Hillfield Park, Muswell Hill, London, N. 10, England.

AS explained by the authors, the name "spoon" is given to a group of cancellations which were widely used in England and Ireland "beginning a revolution in Post Office cancelling methods." They discuss the background which brought them into being, their general purpose, and then go into the matter of types, where used, beginning with the very earliest ones. There is a two page spread showing the various spoon cancellations, keyed with figure numbers, which enable reference to them when discussing points of use.

The English spoons are covered first, divided into classes and periods of use, and with a wide range of information relating to them. The Irish spoons are covered similarly in the second section. A "Guide to Rarity" is supplied for both sections.

This is an interesting and unusual work, and one that we would suppose any collector of cancellations or postal history would find a necessary adjunct. The 46-page brochure is available for $2.00 from the address listed at the head of this review.

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149●	Almost perfect centering	6.50
151●	Large margins	5.00
153●	Huge JUMBO MARGINS, Scarce red cancel	20.00
153●	Very well centered for this stamp	7.00
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218●	Very nice for this stamp	14.50
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37●	Fine copy neat 7 bar grid cancel	10.95
38●	Sound copy	12.75

Scott #		Price
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67●	Red grid cancel. Nice color	15.00
72●	The rare red grid. Av. copy	14.50
72●	Fine copy, scarce	12.50
72●	Average sound copy	9.95
73*	Average copy, tiny flaws	2.25
73*	Average unused copy	3.75
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76*	Av. unused copy with sm. faults	3.75
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89-91●	All av. to fine but small flaws.	10.25
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118●	Fine cent'g, tiny thin spot	9.95
120●	F-VF cent'g, red canc., fresh color	21.00
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151*	F-VF centering unused copy	16.00
151*	Average unused copy	7.95
152-3●	Average copies	7.50
179*	Average unused	4.50
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477*	Av. appear., no gum sm'l thin spot...	27.50
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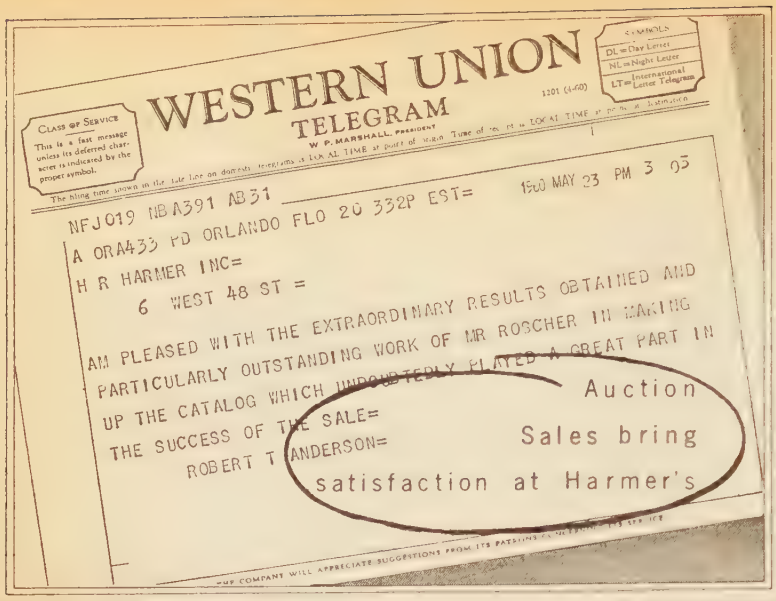

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U3a	Envelope 7c (airmail large)	.20		.40	.50
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Forestry Stamp

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Collectors desiring first day cancellations of the 4-cent World Forestry Congress commemorative stamp may send addressed envelopes, together with remittance to cover the cost of the stamps to be fixed, to the Postmaster, Seattle 1, Washington.

A close-fitting enclosure of postal card thickness should be placed in each envelope and the flap either turned in or sealed. The envelope should be addressed low and as far to the left as possible since th stamp is vertical and the pictorial machine cancellation requires a space approximately 3¼ by 2¾ inches.

Envelopes submitted should be of the ordinary letter size and each must be properly addressed. An envelope must not be sent for the return of first-day covers, and orders for covers must not include requests for uncancelled stamps. The outside envelope to the Postmaster should be marked "First-day Covers 4-cent World Forestry Congress stamp."

Postmaster General Summerfield, in the initial announcement of this stamp on October 24, 1959, noted, "Approximately 2,000 foresters from all over the world will attend this Congress in Seattle to discuss opportunities to make each forest area yield the combination of uses best suited to the needs of the people. The United States is serving as host for this important conservation Congress, which is sponsored by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations."

More than 60 nations are expected to participate in the Fifth World Forestry Congress, according to Dr. Richard E. McArdle, Chairman of the Organizing Committee and Chief of USDA's Forest Service. "There is every indication that it will be the largest international gathering of foresters ever held," he said.

The Congress will hear technical papers by 200 internationally known experts on forestry subjects. Seven tours are scheduled to cover major forest areas of the country.

"Multiple Use of Forest Lands," theme of the Fifth World Forestry Congress, is symbolized by the official emblem which appears on the commemorative U. S. postage stamp. "Forest and related areas," Dr. McArdle declared, "should be managed in a manner that will conserve the basic land resource while at the same time producing high-level sustained yields of water, timber, recreation, forage, and wildlife harmoniously blended for the use and benefit of the greatest number of people. The multiple purpose use of forest lands has worldwide application."

The Congress seeks to stimulate and foster international cooperation in the proper development and use of the world's forest resources through the Multiple Use concept and through the exchange of information and development of personal associations among the world's foresters.

The catalog numbers and prices used in the advertisements in this issue are all from Scott's Standard Postage Stamp Catalog unless specifically stated otherwise in the ads.

Where Is It Today?

WHEN I wrote to my old friend *Harry L. Lindquist* about the passing of our mutual friend, Louis Lauritzen, he asked permission to publish it and also suggested that I write a short article now and then regarding stamps and covers I have owned over the past fifty years of adult collecting, under the general heading of "Where Is It Today"? He picked that as a suitable title because it appealed to him particularly when I put that query concerning one of my covers in my letter to him.

My letter appeared, along with comments by Mr. Lindquist, in his "News, Views & Comments" column of May 14, 1960. Any of you who read it will likely be interested in the following.

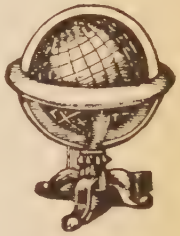
The June 4, 1960, issue of STAMPS shows on page 388 a reproduction of a 2c "Black Jack" cancelled with the fancy six-pointed star used in Alexandria, Virginia, which has just brought a record price in H. R. Harmer's May 16th auction.

This is the very stamp that I owned and enjoyed for at least twenty-five years. It was one of about ten Black Jacks that I sold in the sale of John Fox of October 25, 1955. They all did well, and the prices fetched were quite pleasing to me. My old friend Barney Voorhees once said the "prices go up and down." But I have found that old classic items always go up.

The Alexandria Black Jack which the Harmer firm called "The Fantastic Copy" in their excellent catalog description of the item I always thought of as one of my most striking stamps. It was mounted alone on the cards I have used for my stamps the past forty years.

The story of this beautiful stamp is one which should make an interesting tale in one of my future "Where Is It Today?" articles. I feel that the buyer of that stamp in the Harmer auction got something that was fully worth the price. With it I believe he owns the finest Black Jack in existence.

—ERNEST R. JACOBS



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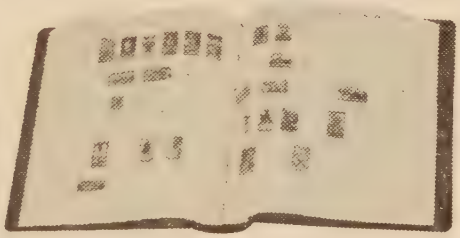

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Philatelic Notes

By George van den Berg

IF you want to buy something, where do you look? In the Yellow Pages of the Telephone Book! That's true in Japan just as it is back home. So, the collector arriving in Tokyo and wishing to locate stamp shops and dealers (of which there appear to be some 200, counting the part-timers) should consult Pages 332 and 334 of the current "Yellow Pages."

There he will find listed no less than 35 dealers, ranging from the Okada Stamp Company in the Ginza Subway shopping district through the Yamamoto shop in Kinshicho, Sumidaku. To be sure, the listings are in Japanese, but any translator can work them out for you at modest cost. Then too, some of the most important dealers, such as K. Yanagishawa (the Ginza Stamp Club), Riichi Yoshida (who edits the annual national catalog and the periodic specialized one) and Y. Kumazawa (beloved friend of collectors and young dealers) aren't listed, probably because they can't be bothered.

But it's a wonderful start and the effect is cumulative—after you've visited a few, you learn of others because, over and over again, dealers, who are delightfully uncommercial and seem to want to please you more than anything in the world, will refer you to a competitor you've not known of before for anything they lack—it's happened to me many times.

Then too, there are always dealers present at club meetings and they'll invite you to their places or offer to come to your home. So, in no time at all, you've gotten to know quite a few and then it's really fun making the rounds on Saturdays and holidays, always with the certainty of finding something.

TOKYO is now the world's largest city and space is at a premium. Hence shops are smaller than ours, but you find them in ground floor locations and in modern office buildings. Each of the big department stores, found all over the city, has a stamp department much like the Minkus ones at home. There is generally a two-person staff, a man proprietor or manager and a very pretty girl assistant.

Both are well versed in stamps and can often produce on call such unexpected things as U. S. Precancels, foreign Metered Mail cutouts, and the like. There are always buyers poring over counter and stockbooks, and the turnover appears to be terrific.

Repeatedly, I've had dealers call up and say "I just found that item you asked about in a collection I bought today" and new counterbooks are forever appearing.

All have Lucius Jackson's *Stamp Wholesaler,* the world's foremost philatelic trade journal (published in Burlington, Vermont) on their desk, alongside the latest *Scott, Gibbons,* and *Yvert-Tellier* catalogs to which frequent reference is made. In general, Japanese material in fine condition is priced at full catalog value as shown in the annual dealers' catalog which makes it cost more than abroad (the usual case with any country's issues) while everything foreign works out about half Scott.

One feature respecting shops—they are almost always "stand-up" ones because of cramped space and to prevent loafing, the bane of most dealers' existence. Notable exceptions are the two Fukuo ones at Shibuya and Harajuku and the Yanagisawa one at Yarakucho Yamate Station and Z Avenue.

Almost all sell Harris's *Universal Hinges* and *Crystal Mounts,* apparently shipped in from California, and all do a whopping business in albums and stockbooks.

As a group, Japanese dealers are men of the highest caliber, entirely above reproach, calling attention to any defect you may have overlooked in any item you wish to purchase and always willing to help in identifying unusual Japanese cancellations and the like.

When one goes to a "No-Shop" dealer's home (and most of them carry on from there), one pets the pooch guarding the front entrance, rings a bell, and, when one is admitted by a deeply bowing wife, one removes his shoes, puts on slippers to walk down the hall, then removes them on entering a tatami (straw mat) covered combined dining-living room and squats or kneels as gracefully as possible on one of the zabuton (large pillows) scattered about a broad low table.

As a guest, one is normally assigned the place adjoining the takanoma, a recessed alcove decorated with a beautiful scroll and a vase of exquisitely arranged flowers. Nearby is an hibachi (charcoal brazier) which throws off a surprisingly large amount of heat and all is snug as can be.

The dealer, your host, appears a moment later, commonly in European dress (though, at times, in kimono), you arise, he bows deeply to you, you bow deeply to him again, and this is repeated several times. You then sit down once more, he sits opposite you, and delicious Japanese green tea, more tea and still more is served with cakes and sweets, during which time you discuss the autumn leaves, the winter snow or the spring blossoms, as the case may be, some recent Japanese novel everyone is reading, the classical theater, the Iris Garden at Meiji Shrine, the spectacular motion picture of the hour, *The Origins of Japan,* and finally, half a dozen cups of tea and an hour later, get around to stamps.

No use rushing things—it simply isn't done and, as a matter of fact, at that point, your host as like as not invites you to come again to see his stock and you leave half pleased and half frustrated. But, when you appear at scheduled time a week later, you do get to see the stamps, and it's usually an astonishing display.

Pretty much the same thing happens in reverse when a dealer calls on us, with certain variations. We live in a beautiful new Japanese apartment nicely furnished in Japanese style, so have no watchdog at the entry. The dealer, calling by appointment, commonly arrives on bicycle or on foot from the Meguro Yamate Station, a minute away.

Having central heating, we always open the windows when the gong sounds so as to keep him comfortable (we always don a sweater or two on such occasions to avoid colds), and serve Cokes or cocoa and French pastry which most Japanese seem to like. He'll probably have no stamps at all the first time, but after that—ah!!

When we leave a dealer's home we are inevitably given a pretty bouquet or a box of sweets. When one leaves our place, we give him a bundle of recent foreign stamp papers and *Life, Time,* and *Fortune* magazines, for we have found that they are much interested in them.

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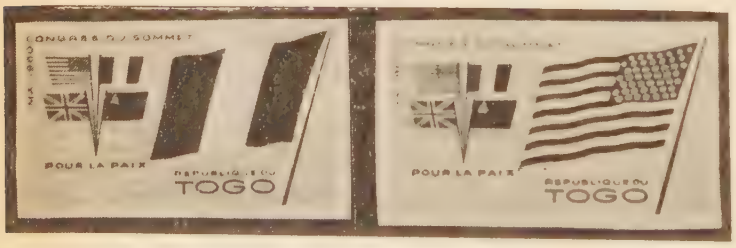

The new W. African Republic of Togo reelased four full-color stamps on May 21 for the Conference. These unusual and significant stamps were designed by a U. S. artist—and were printed in London. They show the flags of the "Big Four": British Flag (0.50F), Russian Flag (1F), French Flag (20F) and American Flag (25F).

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By WILLIAM EDWIN WILSON, M. D.

ABOUT twenty-five years ago, I first saw a copy of Stevenson's masterful article on the grilled issues of the United States, and immediately became fascinated with the possibilities offered by a study of Grills on U. S. Stamps.

For several years prior to that time I had been building a collection of the 3c values of the 1861 issue: fancy cancellations, a variety of townmarks and dates, plate numbers and marginal imprints, color variations, paper types, etc. The many grilled items in the accumulation of these 3c stamps furnished sufficient material to begin a collection of the issued grills.

The search resulted in finding, in addition to the regular register of grills, split grills, both horizontal and vertical; and the same with additional full grills in regular register; double grills, and quadruple split grills. As yet, I have not found any end roller grill on this stamp.

In checking my covers, I found a grill that did not look right. After many close inspections, it dawned on me that this was a Scott #94 with the grill inverted — a #94 with "points up."

My identification of this inverted grill on #94 was confirmed by several of the country's best known philatelists, and in 1941 I submitted the cover to Stanley B. Ashbrook, Lester G. Brookman, and Hugh Clark, each of whom confirmed it also. I was elated when Mr. Clark informed me that it would be given a listing in the Scott specialized catalog of 1942. The listing was continued each year since then until the 1960 edition, when it was dropped. On contacting *Eugene N. Costales*, the present editor of the Scott catalog, to learn the reason for this, I was asked to submit my cover, as neither he nor others concerned with present-day editions of the Scott catalog had ever seen this variety, and were doubtful of its existence. I readily consented, and submitted my cover to him. Now I have had the gratification of word from him that both he and *Elliott Perry* agree that my Scott #94D, with points up, is genuine, and that it will be reinstated in the next edition of the Scott specialized catalog.

Inverted grills on U. S. stamps are extremely rare. *L. G. Brookman*, in his *The Nineteenth Century Postage Stamps of the United States*, presents a most comprehensive and understandable section on grills. He wrote me saying that he has Scott's #88 with inverted grill. There are probably other inverted grills in other collections, quite likely undetected by their owners, for I have never seen any report of such, nor have I seen any listed in auction catalogs.

I should appreciate hearing from any reader who has such an item in his collection. Please write: *Dr. William Edwin Wilson, 37 Prospect Avenue, N.E., Grand Rapids 3, Michigan.*

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Gist of the News

The May 12, 1960 edition of the *Catholic Messenger,* Davenport, Ia., carries a story on *Sister M. Alonza,* of the St. Rose Convent, who has been given the honor of being named to the St. Gabriel Philatelic Academy, an international society of researchers and pioneers in the field of religious stamps. She is only the second woman to be so honored, the article states. Among her outstanding contributions to philately are her English translation of "Maria, Koenigen der Welt," her collaboration with Msgr. Ferdinand Cech on his "Litany of the Saints in Stamps" and "Official Catholic Directory of the Land of Philatelia," and her work on a set of over two hundred stamps on flowers related to the Madonna.

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Collectors of flowers on stamps and religious themes will be interested in an article sent to us by *Charles T. Dinser,* Rossmoyne, O., from the May 20, 1960 edition of the *Catholic Telegraph Register.* The item describes the special collection of Father Jude Koehlke, O.F.M., assistant pastor of St. Francis Seraph's Church in Cincinnati, O., which he calls "Mary's Philatelic Garden." The article describes and illustrates part of Father Koehlke's collection of flowers on stamps which are tributes in one way or another, to the Madonna.

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The Olympic Review

THE *Crabtree Press Ltd., 57 Tivoli Crescent, Brighton, England,* publish a periodical called *Olympic Review.* It carries information on Olympics events, and on philatelic material and other souvenirs issued in connection with them. For instance, the December 1959 issue carries a story on the Brighton Olympex in England, and shows one of the souvenir covers. It reports on the seals and vignettes for that event, as well as some from Squaw Valley in 1960, and the meeting of the National Olympic Committee in Rome in 1959.

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anian class) at Lithpex 1960, held April 2-3, 1960, in Chicago, Ill. Mr. Bartlett's name had been inadvertently omitted from the list of winners submitted to us and reported in our May 21st issue.

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The Silver State Stamp Club meeting on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 8:00 P.M., in the Washoe County Library, Reno, Nevada. Visitors are always welcome. *H. O. LeGrant* is president of the club.

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Leon Hyzen, recently-elected president of the San Clemente Philatelic Society, would like to hear from stamp clubs in the California area. His address is 256 *LaRambla, San Clemente, California*, and the club meets here the second Monday of each month, at 7:30 P.M.

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King George V Provisional Issues of 1934-35

King George V—A Study of the Provisional Issues of 1934 *and* 1935. Published by Stanley Gibbons Limited, 391 Strand, London, W.C. 2, England. Price 4/6d., plus postage of 4d.

THIS 36-page brochure by the late Lt. Col. J. B. M. Stanton and K. G. Rushworth, has been published by Gibbons on behalf of the Great Britain Philatelic Society. It is a study of the provisional issues of King George V, 1934-35, which as the foreword mentions, are of great complexity.

On January 1, 1934, the contract for printing British stamps passed from Waterlow to Harrison, with the intention that Harrison should print by photogravure. But the new presses were not ready, and further printings of the typographed stamps (S.G. 418-29) had to be made by Harrison, aided in the initial stages by Waterlow.

These typographed "provisional" printings are of great interest, and those by Waterlow are extremely scarce. The whole story, as far as it can yet be told, is given in this booklet. The clear and careful descriptions, aided by illustrations of the four Waterlow comb-heads, will open new fields of intriguing study to all collectors of modern British stamps.

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Royal Philatelic Society Elections to Fellowship

THE May 1960 issue of *The London Philatelist* announces that the Council has elected a number of members to Fellowship. Among them are several from the U.S.A., these being *L. W. Christenson,* of Cleveland, Ohio; *Bernard Davis,* Philadelphia, Pa.; *Lt. Col. James T. De Voss,* Washington, D. C., and Silver Spring, Md.; *George H. Deuble, Canton, Ohio; Harold Dermody,* Cicero, Ill.; *James W. Shaver,* Chicago, Ill.; *Dr. Charles D. Sneller,* Peoria, Ill., and *Gordon H. Torrey,* Washington, D. C.

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NEW YORK N. Y.	NEW YORK N. Y.
Large Old Style	Small Old Style

It is a different matter with the Presidentials. Fact is you can exhibit complete sets of the Presidentials too, as New York City was furnished with all denominations of Bureau Precancels, but they will cost you some real money to complete; especially those high value narrows. The 21c is the best in the set.

We have been told that these odd-denomination high values were never on sale in the Post Office, but were shipped direct to one permit holder who used them up quickly. The strange thing about these high value narrows, they are not even obtainable in dated condition. Here is where it will pay you to have a *Standard Bureau Precancel Catalog*. It also proves that not all precancels from large cities are common. We remember seeing ads in the philatelic press stating "No Chicago or New York City wanted". Well, those fellows are missing a bet.

There is one denomination of the high-value narrow set that was available at the *Fipex* show. One gentleman had quite a few used single copies for sale. His explanation was that this lot came from Israel and that these 24-centers were used on books to Israel which required that amount of postage. No blocks were used on these shipments, and blocks of these 24c New York Bureaus will still cost you $10.00, that is, if you can get them.

Combination blocks of the 2c wide Defense exist from New York City, with two machine-set varieties on the top and two hand-set on the bottom. For explanation of these combination blocks we again refer you to the Chicago combination blocks, written up in the Illinois chapter of the Bureau Parade.

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Small Old Style

Rochester used only seven different large Old Style Bureaus, four of them are better than the average. The 1c compound, G-C cat. No. C12, is rather scarce, especially in fine condition.

In the small Old Style set we find the 1½c side-view Harding sheet stamp is rather good. Others worth watching are the 12c, 13c, and 25c. In the coil set, it's again the 1½c side-view Harding, but the 4c Martha Washington, G-C No. H62, is the best.

Rochester did not use any Presidentials above the 3c value. However, among the few denominations used, we find a rather scarce item, the 1½c. The coils already have been replaced with the Liberty series, so the 2c and 3c Presidentials may turn out to be good ones.

Niagara Falls used three large Old Style coils. The 1½c coil, G-C cat. No. G24, is a rather scarce item. Niagara Falls is one of the three post offices that were supplied with the 1½c FULL FACE Harding coil, G-C cat. No. H25, with the large Old Style type, and is not common either, although more plentiful than the side-view Harding coil.

The 1c coil in the small Old Style is getting scarce; not too many are around. This post office also used three Presidential sheet stamp Bureaus which are not exactly mixture material, and only the future will tell what they will be worth because the one-cent already has been replaced with the Liberty series.

Kansas Stamp Without Overprint Discovered After Thirty-One Years

A VERTICAL strip of three of the Kansas stamps of 1929, with the center stamp lacking the "Kans." overprint, has been discovered recently, and will be offered in a forthcoming auction of *Vahan Mozian, Inc., 505 Fifth Ave., New York 17, N. Y.* No other example of the missing overprint has turned up in the thirty-one years of the existence of the Kansas overprints. The item has been examined and pronounced genuine by The Philatelic Foundation Expert Committee.

Clement A. Pulaski

CLEMENT A. PULASKI, retired supervising inspector for the Prudential Insurance Company, passed away at his home in Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania, Friday, May 27, 1960.

Mr. Pulaski had been a collector since childhood, and had made a specialty of Polish stamps. He was well known in the philatelic field both for his writings on Polish collecting and his club activities. In addition to having been president of the *Havertown Stamp Club*, he was very active in the newly formed *Springfield Delco Stamp Club*. He was also a worker in many philatelic events, and will be greatly missed by his many friends in the stamp world.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Ellen, a daughter, and three grandchildren.

WNBC World of Stamps Completes 12th Year on the Air

THE "World of Stamps" radio program over WNBC ended its twelfth year on the air with the broadcast of May 28, 1960. It is sponsored by *The Washington Press*, first day cover and album publishers of Newark, New Jersey. The latest series was heard from 1:05 to 1:20 P.M. each Saturday.

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Address all communications to New Issue Editor, STAMPS
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AFGHANISTAN—Two stamps, in the values of 25 + 75 P., and 25 + 175 P., will be issued on June 22, 1960, in both perforated and imperforated condition, for the Children Aid Fund.

—Farouque Ahsan, Pakistan

ARGENTINA—Our thanks to the following for first day covers and souvenir sheets with copies of the six-value set issued May 28, 1960, honoring the 150th anniversary of the May Revolution, as reported in our June 4th issue: *Ernesto Andreotti; Ruben Lunati; Carlos A. Saenz; Julian A. Troxler; E. Van der Wee;* and *M. Yastremiz.* The values are 1.00, 1.80, 2.00, 4.20, 5.00, and 10.70 pesos.

AUSTRIA—A 4.50 S. definitive, depicting the new tower at Vienna's Schwechat Airport, recently released, became valid for postage on June 17, 1960. The green stamp was designed by Hans Strohofer. There will be an unlimited edition.

June 20, 1960 will be the first day of validity for a 1.50S. stamp to be released to honor the 100th anniversary of the birth of Dr. Anton Eiselsberg. The dark brown and chamois stamp, designed by Robert Fuchs and engraved by George Wimmer, depicts a portrait of Dr. Eiselsberg and his autograph. There was an edition of three million.

—Joachim Dill, West Germany

BELGIUM—To complete the Royal Portrait series, two additional stamps will be added in the values of 6.50 F. (yellow-green) and 7.00 F. (blue-turquoise). The stamps will be issued at some future date.

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—Administration of Posts

CHINA (FORMOSA)—On May 31, 1960, two domestic, prompt delivery postcards were issued, each in the value of NT$1.20. The vertical format card had an edition of 1,500,000. The horizontal format card had an edition of 500,000. Both cards were orange in color and printed by deep etch offset.

In the latter part of June 1960, a NT$2.00 stamp, printed by the intaglio process, will be released to publicize the "Phonopost Service," inaugurated on March 20, 1959.

—Directorate General of Posts

CHINA (FORMOSA) — The *China Philatelic Agency in U.S.A.*, Baltimore, Md., reports that the Cross Island Highway souvenir sheet, issued May 9, 1960, has been sold out at the agency and in Formosa.

COLOMBIA — Our thanks to *Diego Silva-Parra,* Bogota, too, for a first day cover of the 60c World Refugee Year stamp, issued May 24, 1960, forecast in our March 5th issue. *L. J. Horovitz,* Sunnyvale, Calif., reports that a sheet of the World Refugee Year stamp has been found which is imperforate horizontally between rows 9 and 10. Our thanks to *Diego Silva-Parra,* too, for a first day cover and copy of the souvenir sheet, issued May 28, 1960, honoring the 8th Pan American Highway Congress which met in Bogota, from May 20 to 29, 1960. There was an edition of 50,000. In about two months, a set of stamps, bearing the same design as the souvenir sheet, the Pan American Highway route in Columbia, will be released. The values and editions will be as follows: regular postage —20c., ten million; airmail—35c., three million; extra rapid—10c., two million.

GERMANY (WEST BERLIN)—Our thanks to the following for their first day covers of the 20 Pf. stamp released May 27, 1960, honoring the 50th anniversary of the death of Robert Koch, forecast in our May 7th issue: *Joachim Dill, Gerd Kleinhempel,* and *Ernst Reitzig.*

GERMAN (WEST)—*Joachim Dill* reports that on July 30, 1960, a 10 Pf., green stamp, and a 20 Pf., red stamp, will be issued to commemorate the Eucharistic World Congress. The stamps, showing a pigeon, a communion cup and a crucifix, will bear the legend "Pro Mundi Vita / Eucharistischer / Weltkongress / Muenchen 1060 / Deutsche Bundespost." The stamps will be printed by the Bundes-

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HAITI — Our thanks to the *Agency Philatelique Haitienne,* Port-au-Prince, for first day covers and copies of the six-value set issued May 30, 1960, honoring the Haitian Sugar Industry, reported in our June 4th issue. The values are as follows: regular postage—0.10G., 0.20G., 0.50G., 1,00G.; airmails—0.50G., 2.50G.

HUNGARY—Our thanks to *Philatelia Hungarica,* Budapest, for a first day cover of the three-value set released May 25, 1960, to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Italian Unification Movement. Each of the stamps is a 60F. value, and shows a portrait of one of the leaders of the movement. These stamps form part of the set of portraits which will be issued in the course of the year. The designs, colors, designers and engravers are as follows: Joseph Garibaldi, violet, Zoltan Nagy, Mihaly Fule; Istvan Turr, green, Laszlo Kekesi, Josef Vertel; Lajos Tukory, red, Ferene Gall. The engraved set was issued in an edition of 2,020,000 perforated and 15,000 imperforated sets.

ISRAEL—The *Ministry of Posts* informs us that the 50 agorot stamp, to be released in honor of Israel's first atomic reactor, reported in our June 11th issue, was designed by P. Kor, and was printed by Messrs. Lewin- Epstein, Ltd., Bat Yam. The stamp depicts the building housing the reactor with the symbol of the atom in the background.

JAPAN—Our thanks to the following for first day covers of the 10 yen stamp released June 1, 1960, commemorating the Silver Jubilee of the International Radio Program of the Japan Broadcasting Corporation, reported in our June 11th issue: *Kunihiro Hatate; Kanai Stamp Co., Ltd.; Kenzi Miwa; S. Miyake; Meiso Mizuhara; Shozo Murase; Kenjo Nakatani; Akio Onishi; William J. Ross; H. Tsuge; Riichi Yoshida.*

JUGOSLAVIA — Our thanks to the *Direction General of P.T.T.* for copies of the nine-value animal set released May 25, 1960, reported in our May 7th issue; for copies of the Red Cross regular postage stamp and postage due value, issued May 8, 1960, as reported in our June 11th issue; and for copies of the eight-value Olympic Games set, released April 25, 1960, reported in our April 16th issue.

MONACO—Our thanks to the *Office of Issuance of Postage Stamps* for first day covers of the following stamps, issued June 1, 1960, as forecast in detail in our March 5th issue:

A six-value set to commemorate the Oceanographic Museum; A six-value set in honor of the Olympic Games; a five-value set showing views and monument of Monaco; one value for World Refugee Year; one value honoring the 75th anniversary of the first Monaco postage stamps; one stamp honoring the 29th Automobile Race of Monte Carlo; four stamps showing the portrait of Prince Rainier III; two values depicting flowers in the Botanical Gardens; two values showing fish from the Museum Aquarium; four definitive airmails; and a seven-value set of tax stamps depicting various methods of transporting the mails from the 15th through the 19th centuries.

PERU—Our thanks to *Luis Guzman P.,* Lima, for a first day cover of the World Refugee Year souvenir sheet, released on May 30, 1960, as forecast in our March 26th issue.

Our thanks to *L. P. Entwistle* and *Luis Guzman P.* for first day covers and copies of the S/1.00 International Pacific Fair stamp also issued on May 30, 1960, forecast in our August 1, 1959 issue. The stamp was printed by the Bundesdruckerei, Berlin, Germany, in sheets of 100, in an edition of one million.

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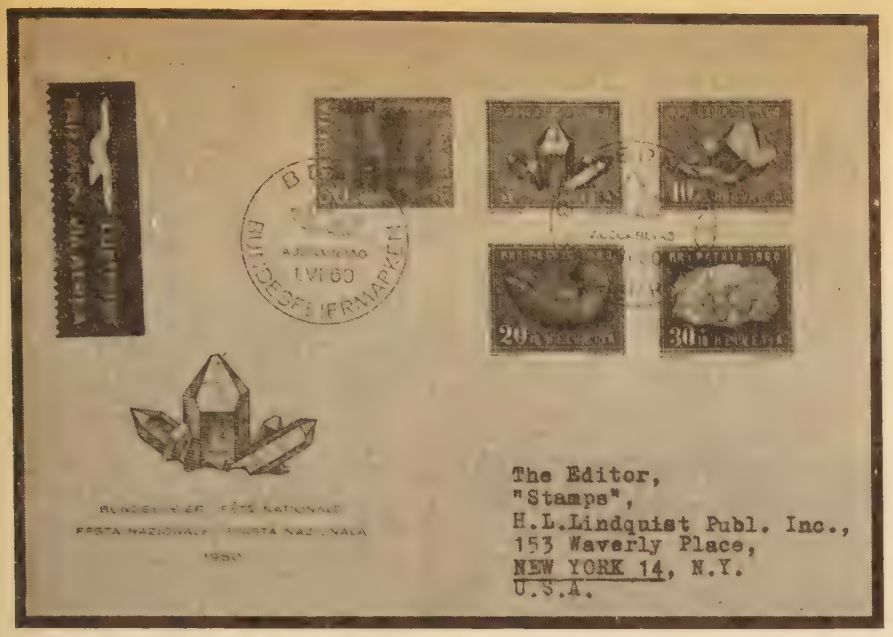

Switzerland "Pro Patria" set on first day cover from Y. B. Heissler, Berne, dated June 1, 1960.

tive in honor of the 'round-the-world trip made by the Peruvian frigate, "Amazonas"; a commemorative marking the 350th anniversary of the first printing of "Los Comentarios Reales," by Jose Garcilezo de la Vega; and a stamp honoring the centenary of the first Peruvian coin.

PHILIPPINES—Our thanks to *Yang Siu-Chong,* Manila, for a first day cover of the 2 centavos, Jose Abad Santos stamp, issued May 26, 1960, with a May 2, 1960 postmark, the originally-planned date of release. The stamp was reported in our June 4th issue.

ROMANIA—The *General Department of Posts and Telecommunications* has announced that a two-value set and miniature sheet were issued to commemorate the 90th anniversary of the birth of Lenin. The values for the stamps were 40 b. and 55 b., and the sheet had a denomination of 1.55 L. The stamps were designed by Serban Zainea and printed by photogravure on paper watermarked RPR.

From *Cartimex* comes the following information on other new issues.

On May 9, 1960, a set of two-values, in the denominations of 40b. and 55 b. was issued to honor the 15th anniversary of liberation from the Nazis. The stamps were designed by Grant Alexe-Druga and printed by photogravure on paper watermarked RPR.

In July 1960, a seven-value Tourist set, designed by Grant-Alexe-Druga, will be issued. The bi-colored stamps will feature views of newly-built resorts on the Black Sea, and will consist of the following values and designs. 20b., port of Constanza 35b. Constanza harbor; 40b., resort Vasile Rosita; 55b., resort of Mangalia; 1L., resort of Eforie; 1.60L., resort of Eforie; 2L., Mamaia.

In September 1960, a set of five-values, depicting children's sports, will be released. The multi-colored set will consist of the following values and designs: 20 b., sledding; 35 b., Romanian cricket; 55 b., skating; I L., running; 1.75 L., swimming.

RUSSIA—Our thanks to *Mezhdunarodnaja Kniga* for copies and information on the following new issues:

On April 20, a bi-colored 40K. stamp was issued to mark the 40th anniversary of the Azerbaijan Statehood. The stamp, designed by Suhov and printed in sheets of twenty-five, depicts the Government House in Baku, the capital. The stamp is printed in both Russian and Azerbaijan.

On April 29, 1960, two bi-colored stamps were issued to mark the 50th anniversary of the Czechoslovakian Republic. The 40K. stamp shows the "Fraternization" Monument in Prague; the 60K. stamp shows the Karlov Bridge in Prague. Both stamps were designed by Klymashin and printed in sheets of eighty.

On April 30, 1960, a 60K., multi-colored stamp was issued to mark the photographing of the reverse side of the moon, which it depicts. The stamp was designed by Levin and printed in sheets of twenty-five.

Also released on April 30, 1960, was a 40K., red and brown stamp, marking the results of the first year of the Seven-Year Plan. The stamp, depicting an industrial worker, was designed by Klymashin and printed in sheets of eighty.

On May 4, 1960, a 1 ruble stamp was issued honoring the Soviet army general, I. D. Tchernijachovsky. The commemorative was designed by Golovanov and printed in sheets of twenty-five.

On May 6. 1960, a 40K., multi-colored stamp was released in honor of Radio Day. The stamp, showing the A. S. Popov Central Muesum of Communications in Leningrad, was designed by Levin and printed in sheets of twenty-five.

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SWITZERLAND—Our thanks to *Y. B. Heissler,* Berne, for a first day cover of the five-value "Pro Patria" 1960 set, issued June 1, 1960, as forecast in our May 21st issue. The values are 5c + 5c.; 10c. + 10c.; 20c +10c.; 30c + 10c.; and 50c. + 10c.

UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC (EGYPT)—Our thanks to the *Ministry of Communications* for copies of the following issues: the 10 M. and 35 M. World Refugee Year stamps, issued April 7, 1960; the 35 M. and 45 M. definitives, issued April 30, 1960; and the 90 M. airmail definitives, issued April 30, 1960. All these issues were reported in our May 14th issue.

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348	.07	.05	433	.55	.10	523	.06	.03
349	.08	.03	434	.15	.10	524	.07	.03
350	.25	.06	435	.08	.02	525	.10	.03
351	.10	.01	436	.10	.02	526	.45	.20
352	.17	.02	437	.12	.02	527	.07	.03
353	.25	.20	438	.17	.02	528	.10	.08
354	.30	.10	439	.20	.02	529	.12	.02
355	.65	.15	440	.30	.04	530	.65	.30
356	.15	.12	441	.60	.02	531	.12	.03
357	.20	.04	442	.15	.03	532	.07	.04
358	.15	.02	443	.10	.03	533	.10	.02
359	.12	.03	444	.06	.03	534	.27	.15
360	.04	.03	445	.07	.01	535	.07	...
361	.25	.03	446	18	.08	536	.10	.03
362	.06	.03	447	.60	.12	537	...	.75
363	.10	.02	448	.04	.04	538	.10	.02
364	.40	.04	449	.12	.03	539	.30	.10
365	.10	.02	450	.65	.17	540	.10	.02
366	.07	.04	451	.12	.04	541	.06	.03
367	.25	.08	452	.12	.03	542	.35	.20
368	.10	.10	453	.17	.08	543	.06	...
369	.10	.06	454	.25	.10	544	.10	...
370	.10	.02	455	.12	.04	545	.45	.35
371	.45	.10	456	.04	.02	546	.10	...
372	.15	.10	457	.10	.02	547	.06	.05
373	.12	.02	458	.12	.02	548	.60	.35
374	.05	.03	459	.17	.03	549	.06	.05
375	.30	.03	460	...	.02	550	.12	...
376	.06	.04	461	.10	.02	551	.27	...
377	.08	.03	462	.15	.06	552	.12	...
378	.22	.04	463	.45	.15	B23	...	.18
379	.08	.03	464	...	.25	B24	...	.18
380	.10	.02	465	.08	.03	B25	...	.18
381	.17	.05	466	.35	.08	B26	...	.18
382	.12	.04	467	.10	.04	B27	...	.18
383	.04	.02	468	.20	.02	B29	...	.18
384	.50	.03	469	.20	.03	B30	...	.18
385	.05	.03	470	.25	.04	B31	...	.18
386	...	.03	471	.25	.07	B37	.35	.
387	.08	.03	472	.32	.10	B38	.30	.30
388	.25	.20	473	.70	.03	B39	.35	.35
389	.08	.03	474	.10	.03	B40	.30	.
390	.08	.04	475	.15	.06	B47	.15	.15
391	.02	.02	476	.10	.02	B48	.15	.15
392	.03	.02	477	.05	.02	C6	.15	.10
393	.12	.02	478	.06	.03	C7	.30	.18
394	...	.02	484	.10	.03	J14	.20	.20
395	.30	.02	485	.55	.	O12	.12	.
396	.40	.02	486	.10	.05	O13	.18	.
397	.60	.02	487	.10	.04	O14	...	.04
398	.70	.12	488	.12	.02	O15	.15	.03
399	.03	.02	489	.17	.08	O17	...	.03
400	.06	.02	490	.10	.06	O19	...	.20
401	.15	.05	491	.12	.03	O20	...	.03
402	.40	.12	492	.10	.02	O22	...	.04
403	.06	.04	493	.17	.10	O25	...	.18
404	.10	.02	494	.05	.03	O28	.03	.03
405	.15	.05	495	.12	.02	O29	.02	.20
406	.35	.08	496	.20	.06	O30	.25	.20
407	.10	.04	497	.05	.03	O31	.15	.05
408	.07	.06	498	.12	.03	O32	.08	.06
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410	.12	.10	500	.55	.30	O34	...	.04
411	.04	.03	501	.12	.03	O35	.80	.08
412	.08	.03	502	.10	.03	O36	...	.15
413	.12	.08	503	.02	.02	O37	.65	.08
414	06	.03	504	.04	.02	O40	.	.20
415	.08	.04	505	.06	.02	O41	.35	.35
416	.25	.02	506	.07	.01	O42	.04	.04
417	.25	.01	507	.12	.01	O43	.07	.07
418	.05	.02	508	.12	.02	O44	.05	.05
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426	.60	.02	516	.06	.03	O53	.10	.02
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O26	.06	.04
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O28	.10	.06
O29	.08	.03
O30	.08	.02
O31	...	.08
O32	.25	.12
O33	.02	.02
O34	.03	.03
O35	.03	.02
O36	.04	.02
O37	.05	.02
O38	.07	.03
O38A	.08	.02
O39	.07	.05
O39A	.08	.03
O40	.08	.02
O41	.08	.02
O41A	.12	.02

No.	Mint	Used
O42	.13	.03
O43	.20	.07
O44	.03	.03
O45	.04	.04
O46	.03	.03
O47	.15	.20
O48	.04	.02
O49	.15	.20
O50	.15	.02
O51	.15	.20
O52	.10	.03
O53	.20	.25
O54	.25	.25
O55	.15	.02
O56	.50	.07
O57	.07	.02
O58	.02	.02
O59	.03	.02
O60	.05	.02
O61	.08	.02
O62	.10	.03
O63	.17	.02
O64	...	.03
O65	.02	.02
O66	.03	.02
O67	.04	.02
O68	.06	.02
O69	.06	...
O70	.08	.04
O71	.10	.02
O72	...	.02
O73	.12	.02
O74	.13	.02
O75	.15	.03
O76	.17	.03
O77	.20	.06
O78	.20	.04
O79	.23	.03
O80	.25	.04
O81	.50	...

No.	Mint	Used
147	.20	.02
148	...	.02
149	.30	.20
150	.35	.02
151	...	.02
152	...	.02
153	...	.03
154	.45	.03
155	...	.03
156	...	.04
157	...	.03
158	.30	.03
159	.90	.06
160	...	.10
162	...	.12
163	.60	.15
164	...	.03
166	...	.06
167	...	.02
168	...	.02
169	...	.02
170	.12	.02
171	...	.03
172	.10	.04
173	...	.04
174	.10	.06
175	...	.02
176	...	.02
177	...	.02
178	...	.02
179	...	.02
180	...	.02
181	...	.02
182	.17	.02
183	...	.04
184	...	.03
185	.30	.02
186	...	.04
187	...	.04
188	...	.05
190	...	.03
191	...	.03
192	...	.03
193	.12	.04
195	...	.50
196	...	.50
199	...	.20
224	...	1.00
229	...	.90
230	.40	.40
231	.45	.08
232	.40	.04
233	.25	.04
234	.50	.08

No.	Mint	Used
235	...	.12
236	.40	.08
237	.50	.04
238	.50	.40
239	...	.05
240	...	.17
241	...	.04
242	...	.04
243	...	.04
244	...	.03
245	...	.05
246	...	.15
247	...	.12
248	.25	.06
249	.25	.12
250	.40	.04
251	.40	.05
252	.35	.04
253	...	.03
254	...	.40
255	...	.06
256	...	.20
257	...	.08
258	...	.25
259	...	.15
260	...	.30
261	...	.06
262	...	.45
263	...	.75
264	.20	.03
266	.25	.02
267	...	.25
268	.35	.03
269	.30	.03
270	.60	.08
271	.60	.15
272	.60	.03
273	.25	.06
274	.25	.05
275	.20	.03
276	.20	.02
277	.80	.15
278	.15	.04
279	.15	.03
280	.20	.03
281	.35	.03
282	.27	.02
283	.35	.02
284	.35	.02
285	.35	.02
286	.45	.02
287	...	.02
288	...	.04
289	.30	.15
290	.07	.02
291	.20	.04
292	.08	.04

No.	Mint	Used
293	.45	.02
294	.10	.02
295	1.00	.04
296	.70	.08
297	.45	.05
298	.35	.03
299	.03	.02
300	.15	.04
300C	.08	.02
300E	.10	.02
301	.02	.02
302	.05	.02
302A	.08	.02
303	.10	.02
304	.85	.02
305	.12	.02
306	.85	.02
307	.17	.02
308	.20	.02
309	.20	.02
310	.06	.02
311	.25	.05
312	.10	.04
313	.15	.02
314	.20	.02
315	.70	.10
316	.15	.04
317	.12	.03
318	.55	.10
319	.12	.04
320	.12	.03
321	.30	.04
322	...	.12
323	.07	.05
324	.10	.02
325	.75	.30
326	.12	.04
327	.15	.03
328	1.00	...
329	.20	.02
330	.20	.02
331	.75	.08
332	.15	.10
333	.15	.10
334	.90	.50
335	.10	.03
336	.08	.03
337	.40	.04
338	.30	.05
340	.70	.25
341	.35	.07
342	.10	.03
343	.45	.04
344	.10	.04
345	.10	.03
346	.55	.25

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COMPLETE SETS

No.	Mint	Used
70–73	$1.10	$ .47
74–95	...	.45
96–98	1.45	.70
100–03	...	.10
104–10	4.50	4.50
111–14	1.35	.85
115–28	...	.30
129–31	1.35	.25
132–35	1.50	.45
136–44	3.15	1.60
145–48	.75	.30
150–53	1.00	.30
154–57	.90	.40
158–61	1.00	.30
162–76	1.75	.25
177–80	1.25	...
181–83	.30	.12
184–86	.20	.08
187–202A	1.60	.35
203–06	2.00	.30
240–45	.60	.35
247–50	.45	.45
255–58	.35	.15
259–66	.60	.35
269–71	.20	.12
275–78	...	.08
279–89	1.30	.25
295–97	.40	.10
299–301	.30	.17
304–06	.28	.10
307–17	1.50	.20
318–20	.45	.15

No.	Mint	Used
331–33	.40	.10
334–36	.35	.12
337–39	.30	.12
340–42	1.25	1.25
345–52	1.35	.15
377–78	.35	...
B5–8	1.25	1.25
B9–10	.60	.60
B11–14	.15	.50
B15–18	.45	.45
B20–23	.45	.45
B28–30	.35	.35
B32–34	.40	.40
B35–37	.35	.40
B38–41	.25	.30
B43–46	.30	.30
B48–49	.25	.20
B50–52	.75	.75
B54–56	.50	.50
B57–58	.40	.25
B59–61	.50	.50
B62–63	.35	.35
B64–65	.45	.45
O1–7	.90	.75
O9–21	...	.90
O10A–19A	.90	.45
O22–32	.85	.50
O33–43	.80	.30
O44–54	.80	1.15
O58–64	.65	.12
O65–80	1.85	...

SWEDEN

No.	Mint	Used
29	...	.10
30	...	.10
32	...	.04
33	...	.05
35	...	.10
36	...	.20
39	...	.03
42	...	.04
43	...	.03
45	...	.02
46	...	.04
47	...	.04
48	...	.12
49	...	.15
50	.35	.30
52	.05	.03
53	...	.02
54	.12	.05
55	.75	.02
56	...	.02
56A	...	.02
57	.35	.05
58	...	.02
59	...	.02
60	...	.02
61	...	.03
62	...	.02
63	...	.03
64	...	.03
65	...	.08

No.	Mint	Used
67	.08	.04
68	.20	.10
69	.10	.08
70	1.00	...
71	...	.02
72	...	.03
73	...	.35
75	...	.20
76	...	.18
77	...	.02
78	.04	.02
79	.04	.02
80	...	.02
81	.06	.02
82	...	.02
83	...	.02
84	.10	.02
85	.15	.06
86	...	.02
87	...	.02
88	...	.02
89	...	.02
91	.25	.15
93	.35	.03
94	...	.03
95	.02	.02
96	.02	.02
97	.03	.02
98	.03	.02
99	.12	.03

No.	Mint	Used
100	.17	.03
101	.17	.07
102	.18	.10
103	.18	.15
104	.18	.10
115	.05	.03
116	...	.02
117	...	.02
118	...	.02
119	...	.02
120	...	.04
121	.15	.02
122	...	.05
123	...	.04
124	...	.03
125	...	.15
126	...	.07
127	...	.04
128	...	.04
129	...	.30
132	...	.05
135	.12	.07
136	...	.30
137	...	1.00
139	...	.03
140	.08	.03
141	...	.03
145	...	.02
146	...	.03

COMPLETE SETS

No.	Mint	Used
52–65	...	$ .35
77–94	...	.40
99–104	$ .90	.45
115–21	...	.15
126–29	...	.40
145–59	...	.55
167–88	...	.55
190–93	...	.12
230–35	...	.70
236–38	1.25	.50
239–47	...	.65
248–62	...	2.00
264–67	1.10	.30
268–74	2.75	.40
275–79	1.40	.20
280–88	...	.18
290–92	.35	.10
293–98	2.75	.20
299–300E	.30	.10
301–09	2.50	.15
310–12	.40	.10
313–15	1.00	.12
316–18	.75	.15
319–21	.50	.10
323–25	.90	.35
326–28	1.25	...
329–31	1.10	.12
332–34	1.10	.65
335–37	.55	.10
338–41	1.70	...
342–44	.60	.10
345–47	.70	.30
348–50	.40	.12
351–57	1.70	...
360–62	.30	.08
363–65	.50	.07
366–68	.40	.20
369–73	.80	.25
374–76	.35	.10
377–79	.35	.10
380–82	.37	.10

No.	Mint	Used
383–85	.55	.07
386–90	...	.30
391–98	...	.25
400–03	.60	.20
404–07	.60	.17
408–10	.25	.20
411–15	.37	.20
418–24	.55	.12
427–29	.40	.10
432–34	.75	.25
435–41	1.75	.15
444–48	.90	.28
449–51	.85	.22
452–55	.60	.22
456–61	...	.10
462–64	...	.45
465–67	.50	.15
468–72	1.15	.30
474–76	.35	.10
477–78	.10	.05
479–83	2.50	2.50
484–86	.75	.18
487–91	.55	.20
492–93	.25	.12
494–98	.50	.15
499–501	.75	.33
518–23	.85	...
524–28	.70	.35
529–31	.80	.35
532–36	.10	...
535–40	.48	.25
541–43	.45	...
544–46	.60	...
547–49	.70	.40
550–52	.50	.25
553–55	.35	...
B22–31	...	1.75
B37–41	1.40	...
B42–46	.80	.70
O28–40	...	1.65
O41–55	...	2.20

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